R (343)

Department of State

TELEGRAM

DECLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

AN: 0780378-1117

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 BUENOS 07258 1611007
ACTION H-02

INFO OCT-01 HA-05 ARA-15 ISO-00 /023 W
------------------084460 1705142 /12

R 1421077 SEP 78
FM AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7494
INFO USCINCSO QUARRY HTS CZ

UNCLAS BUENOS AIRES 7258

H PASS HONORABLE JOHN W. WYDLER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON DC

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: SHUM, AR CVIS
SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS CONGRESSIONAL CORRESPONDENCE: DISAPPEARANCE OF FATHER MAURICE SILVA (319/78/4)

REF: BUENOS AIRES 5553

1. IN RESPONSE TO YOUR REQUEST OF FEBRUARY 22, 1978 REGARDING THE DISAPPEARANCE OF FATHER MAURICE SILVA, THE FOREIGN OFFICE'S WORKING GROUP ON HUMAN RIGHTS HAS INFORMED US THAT THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT HAS NO RECORD OF THE DETENTION OF FATHER SILVA, NOR ANY INFORMATION REGARDING HIS WHEREABOUTS. INQUIRIES ON BEHALF OF THE WORKING GROUP WERE MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR WITH FEDERAL POLICE AUTHORITIES IN THE CAPITAL AND IN BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE, AND ALSO WITH THE ARGENTINE ARMY.

2. THE UNITED STATES CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST ON THIS MATTER HAS BEEN COMMUNICATED TO THE FOREIGN OFFICE. WE WILL CONTINUE TO MONITOR THIS CASE AND WILL INFORM YOU OF ANY FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.
UNCLASSIFIED
UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 0 BUENOS 07258 1611007

3. SINCERELY YOURS, MAXWELL CHAPLIN, CHARGE

UNCLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED

DEPARTMENT OF STATE A/CDC/MR
REVIEWED BY [signature] DATE 4/20/82
RDS☐ or XDS☐ EXT. DATE _____
TS AUTH. _____ REASON(S) _____
ENDORSE EXISTING MARKINGS ☐
DECLASSIFIED☐ RELEASABLE☒
RELEASE DENIED☐
PA or FOI EXEMPTIONS _____

D'AFFAIRS.
CHAPLIN

UNCLASSIFIED